DATE: JANUARY 25, 2013 AGENDA ITEM 7

TO: THE LOS ANGELES GRAND AVENUE AUTHORITY

FROM: DAWN MCDIVITT, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CHIEF EXECUTIVE

OFFICE, MANAGER

SUBJECT: ACKNOWLDGEMENT AND FOR APPROVAL OF AN INCREASE TO

THE CIVIC PARK PROJECT BUDGET OF A NOT TO EXCEED

AMOUNT OF \$38,000

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE AUTHORITY:

 Acknowledge and approve an increase to the Civic Park Project Budget of a not to exceed amount of \$38,000 to reimburse project management costs by Grand Avenue Park Development, LLC for close-out activities related to the Civic Park Project.

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In July 2010, your Board approved the Guaranteed Maximum Price Contract for the Civic Park Project and reaffirmed the total project budget in the amount of \$56.0 million. In April 2011, April 2012, and September 2012, your Board approved additional project scope items funded by additional earned interest earnings in the amount of \$731,000 and \$115,000 of Superior Court funds for a revised project budget in the amount of \$56.846 million.

The Civic Park Project was completed in July 2012, and all 4 blocks of Grand Park opened to the public in October 2012.

Project management costs of \$2 million were negotiated by the Grand Avenue Committee. Due to the multitude of permits, warranties, contractor and subcontractor documents, and other close out materials needed to be reviewed to close out the project, Mr. Barry Widen, Grand Avenue Park Development, LLC (the Related Companies) incurred \$38,000 more than the previously negotiated project management services.

The final accounting of all expenditures for the Civic Park (Grand Park) Project is in its final stages, including opening events expenses. It is recommended that your Board approve an increase to the project management budget line item by \$38,000 to be funded by anticipated project savings, which is within the previously Board approved project budget of \$56.846 million.

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A final accounting of all project expenditures is anticipated to be completed and submitted to your Board at the next meeting of the Grand Avenue Joint Powers Authority.